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For Recycling Commodities

Kentucky Recycling Assistance Section

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Exports of Most Recyclables Continue to Lag

According to *Resource Recycling*, scrap export tonnages in the plastics, ferrous metals and aluminum categories are all showing declines in comparison to prior-year numbers. Paper exports, however, are up slightly.

In November, the most recent month for which figures are available, scrap plastics exports totaled 354.40 million pounds, a decrease of 5.0 percent from October 2015 export levels. When matched against November 2014 levels, the volume of plastic scrap exports was also down by 4.4 percent.

With 4.21 billion pounds of scrap plastics exported through the first eleven months of 2015, the volume was down 5.0 percent from the 2014 year-to-date (YTD) figure. At 18.11 cents per pound, the average price through November 2015 was down by 8.7 percent from its 2014 YTD standing.

As for other exported materials, recovered paper exports were up slightly through the first 11 months of 2015, with 17.95 million metric tons exported, a 2.9 percent increase from November 2014 YTD levels. At \$157 per metric ton, the weighted average price of exported recovered paper through November was down YTD by 5.1 percent.

The 11.77 million metric tons of ferrous scrap exported through November 2015 amounted to a 17.5 percent YTD decrease. At \$323 per metric ton, the weighted average price of exported ferrous scrap was down 19.9 percent, from November 2014 YTD levels.

Finally, the 3.19 billion pounds of aluminum scrap exported in 2015 through November equated to an 8.9 percent decrease from the first 11 months of 2014. At 72 cents per pound, the average price of exported aluminum scrap through November 2015 was down by 5.1 percent compared with the 2014 YTD figures.

Recycling and HHW Grants

The Energy and Environment Cabinet's (EEC) Division of Waste Management (DWM) is accepting grant applications for projects that develop an integrated recycling infrastructure and offer public education programs on recycling and household hazardous waste (HHW) management

Grant funding comes from the Kentucky Pride Fund and is underwritten by a \$1.75 per ton fee on municipal solid waste disposed of in Kentucky's contained landfills. Local governments, solid waste management districts, public schools, universities and colleges are eligible to apply. Priority is given to applicants for regional projects.

Applications must be postmarked no later than Friday, April 1, 2016, or hand-delivered to the DWM Recycling and Local Assistance Branch by 4 p.m. Monday, April 4, 2016. The original of the entire application and any supporting documentation must be submitted in order for an application to be complete. Each grant requires a 25 percent local match.

For more information, call or e-mail J.R. Holt at 502-564-6716 or Frederick.Holt@ky.gov. You may also visit the division's website at <http://waste.ky.gov/RLA/grants/Pages/default.aspx>.

Recycling Market Prognosis

Resource Recycling reports that recycling market players suggest these trends for December and January.

	<u>Demand</u>	<u>Price</u>
Ferrous	Ugh	Same old
Aluminum	Unattractive	Remaining low
Paper	Seasonally slow	Flat at best
Plastic	Average	Going nowhere

COMMODITY	Jul-15	Aug-15	Sep-15	Oct-15	Nov-15	Dec-15	Jan-16	Jan-16
<u>PAPER-\$/TON</u>	RISI Official Board Markets (Midwest/Chicago area) FOB							
-	Jul-15	Aug-15	Sep-15	Oct-15	Nov-15	Dec-15	Jan-16	Jan-15
#2 mixed paper	\$40-45	\$40-45	\$40-45	\$40-45	\$40-45	\$40-45	\$40-45	\$35-40
#37 sorted office paper (SOP)	\$130-140	\$130-140	\$125-135	\$120-130	\$115-125	\$105-115	\$105-115	\$135-145
#8 ONP	\$45-50	\$45-50	\$45-50	\$45-50	\$45-50	\$45-50	\$45-50	\$50-55
#40 sorted white ledger (SWL)	\$230-240	\$230-240	\$220-230	\$210-220	\$200-210	\$190-200	\$190-200	\$220-230
#11 OCC	\$70-75	\$75-80	\$75-80	\$75-80	\$70-75	\$65-70	\$60-65	\$65-70
<u>PLASTICS-¢/LB.</u>	Recycling Markets.Net/Secondary Materials Pricing - FOB							
-	Jul-15	Aug-15	Sep-15	Oct-15	Nov-15	Dec-15	Jan-16	Jan-15
#1 PET - mixed (clear & green)	\$0.13	\$0.13	\$0.12	\$0.10	\$0.08	\$0.08	\$0.08	\$0.16
#2 HDPE (natural-milk jugs)	\$0.36	\$0.37	\$0.25	\$0.26	\$0.27	\$0.29	\$0.28	\$0.33
#2 HDPE (colored-detergent btls.)	\$0.25	\$0.19	\$0.15	\$0.18	\$0.22	\$0.25	\$0.21	\$0.24
<u>GLASS-\$/TON</u>	Recycling Markets.Net/Secondary Materials Pricing - Delivered							
-	Jul-15	Aug-15	Sep-15	Oct-15	Nov-15	Dec-15	Jan-16	Jan-15
clear (flint)	\$32.00	\$32.00	\$32.00	\$32.00	\$32.00	\$32.00	\$32.00	\$32.00
brown (amber)	\$22.00	\$22.00	\$22.00	\$22.00	\$22.00	\$22.00	\$22.00	\$22.00
green	\$11.00	\$11.00	\$11.00	\$11.00	\$11.00	\$11.00	\$11.00	\$11.00
<u>METALS</u>	Recycling Markets.Net/Secondary Materials Pricing - Baled/Densified							
-	Jul-15	Aug-15	Sep-15	Oct-15	Nov-15	Dec-15	Jan-16	Jan-15
aluminum beverage cans (UBC) cents/lb.	\$0.57	\$0.56	\$0.54	\$0.54	\$0.54	\$0.55	\$0.54	\$0.79
	Recycling Markets.Net/Secondary Materials Pricing - Baled							
	Jul-15	Aug-15	Sep-15	Oct-15	Nov-15	Dec-15	Jan-16	Jan-15
steel cans \$/TON	\$60-90	\$55-90	\$45-90	\$35-90	\$20-40	\$24-32	\$22-32	\$110-120



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